

Remarks/Arguments

Upon entry of the foregoing amendments, claims 1 to 4, 6 and 9 will be pending in the above-identified patent application. Claims 2, 3, 5 and 10 have been canceled, without prejudice.

Discussion of the Rejection Under 35 U.S.C. § 112, Second Paragraph

Claims 4 to 9 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph, as allegedly indefinite (Action at 2). Claim 7 was canceled in the July 18, 2005 Reply, and claim 8 was canceled in the January 6, 2006 Reply. Accordingly, the rejection of claims 7 and 8 are moot. Applicants amended claims 4, 5, 6 and 9 in the January 6, 2006 Reply by replacing the phrase “at least one” with the phrase “one or more” at the Examiner’s suggestion. Accordingly, Applicants submit respectfully that the rejection of claims 4 to 9 should be withdrawn.

Discussion of the Rejection Under 35 U.S.C. § 112, First Paragraph

Claims 5 and 10 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112, first paragraph, as allegedly lacking enablement. (Action at 2 to 7). Applicants respectfully submit that the present rejection is moot in view of the forgoing amendments, which have cancelled claims 5 and 10, without prejudice.

Conclusion

Applicants believe that the foregoing constitutes a complete and full response to the Action of record. Applicants respectfully submit that this application is now in condition for allowance. Accordingly, an indication of allowability and an early Notice of Allowance are respectfully requested.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the fee required and any additional fees that may be needed to Deposit Account No. **18-1982** in the name of Aventis Pharmaceuticals Inc.

Respectfully submitted,

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